Department: Water Resources

Description: Technical Correction to FY 2021 Cash Transfer

1. Background:

Rule 4 of the Rules Governing the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee requires a role call vote on motions authorizing expenditures of money. When the Department of Water Resources Budget was set on Monday, March 2nd, a unanimous consent request was made to approve language directing an expenditure. The below motion would correct that action.

2. Reopen FY 2021 Budget: Requires unanimous consent or 2/3 roll call vote to reopen.

"I request unanimous consent to reopen the fiscal year 2021 budget for the Department of Water Resources."

3. Motion:

"I move for the Department of Water Resources the adoption of the language on the screen for fiscal year 2021."

SECTION 5. CASH TRANSFER FOR THE COOPERATIVE CLOUD SEEDING PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated and the State Controller shall transfer \$300,000 from the General Fund to the Secondary Aquifer Planning, Management, and Implementation Fund created pursuant to Section 42-1780, Idaho Code, on July 1, 2020, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, for operations and maintenance costs, capital expenditures, and research and development costs for the Cooperative Cloud Seeding Program.

SECTION 6. CASH TRANSFER FOR THE FLOOD MANAGEMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated and the State Controller shall transfer \$700,000 from the General Fund to the Water Management Fund created pursuant to Section 42-1760, Idaho Code, on July 1, 2020, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, for water quality data collection, monitoring, modeling, flood-damaged stream channel repair, stream channel improvement, flood risk reduction, or flood prevention projects. Of these moneys, up to \$500,000 shall be administered by the Idaho Water Resource Board through a competitive, matching grant process for flood control projects. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 42-1760(2)(b), Idaho Code, grants may be larger than \$50,000 at the discretion of the board. The selection process for these grants shall require the availability of fifty percent (50%) matching funds, and flood prevention and mitigation projects shall be given priority on a competitive statewide basis throughout Idaho. The Department of Water Resources shall support this competitive grant process using existing personnel and resources.